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AMPLIFICATION AND DETECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

- 1. Transmitted herewith are the following:
 - An Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.111
 - A Petition for 3-Month Extension of Time
 - 1 New Sheet of Drawings showing Fig 6A and 6B
- 2. Entity Status
 - Small Entity Status (37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27) has been established by a previously submitted Small Entity Statement.
- 3. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time:

 An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if necessary for timely filing of this transmittal and enclosures.
- 4. Provisional Fee Authorization
 Please charge any underpayment in fees for timely filing of this transmittal and enclosures to Deposit Account No. 04-0531.

Respectfully submitted,

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